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FOR DOUGLAS KINNEY OPEN FORUM FROM VINCENT J. FARLEY

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SUBJ: OPEN FORUM

1. AS WE DISCUSSED BY PHONE LAST EVENING, I AM HEREWITH FORWARDING TO THE OPEN FORUM STEERING GROUP A BRIEF STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH MY INTEREST IN BEING VICE CHARIPERSON OF THE 1978-79 OPEN FORUM. WOULD YOU PLEASE INCORPORATE THE STATEMENT IN PARAGRAPH TWO BELOW INTO MY " CAMPAIGN" STATEMENT. BIO INFORMATION, IF NEEDED, ON MY FOREIGN SERVICE CAREER SINCE JOINING IN JANURAY 1968IS AS FOLLOWS: POST MANAGEMENT OFFICER IN AF/EX (1968-69); ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER NIAMEY (1969-71); REGISTRAR AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS (1971-73); PERSONNEL OFFICER SOEUL (1973-76); AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION NOUAKCHOTT (1977-78). IN MAY 1978 I WILL BEGIN A TOUR IN THE DEPARTMENT AS DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REWORK/EUIT THE STATEMENT BELOW INTO A STANDARD FORMAT AND/OR INCLUDE THOUGHTS FROM MY 1972 "CAMPAIGN" STATEMENT. I TOTALLY CONCUR WITH THE GOALS OF THE OPEN FORUM AS EXPRESSED IN SECRETARY VANCE'S RECENT STATEMENT (WHICH WAS REPRODUCED ON PAGE 40 OF THE DECEMBER 1977 NEWSLETTEGL AND WAS, IN FACT, CO-AUTHOR OF THE OPEN FORUM PANEL'S DECEMBER 1968/ JAUARY 1969 MEMO TO SECRETARY ROGERS WHICH SPECIFICALLLY ADDRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF "RESPONQIBLE ALTERNATIVE POINTS OF VIEW".
2. THE SECRETARY'S OPEN FORUM FOR THE PAST 11 YEARS HAS PLAYED
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AN IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL ROLE IN ENCOURAGING THE ACTIVE CONSIDERATIONOF ALTERNATIVE POINTS OF VIEW WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AID, USICA AND ACDO AND PROMOTING MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE BETWEEN CAREER MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGENCIES AND OTHER SECTORS OF US SOCIETY CONCERNED WITH FOREIGN AFFAIRS ISSUES. DURING BOTHOF MY PREVIOUS TOURS IN THE DEPARTMENT(1968-68 AND 1971-73) I WAS AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE OPEN FORUM AND A

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MEMBER OF ITS STERING COMMITTEE. A PARTICULAR INTEREST OF MINE
DURING THOSE YEARS WAS THE FORMATION OF DISCUSSION/SJYUDY GROUPS
WHICH EXAMINED SPECIFIC CURRENT FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES AND
INCLUDED ACTIVE PARTICIPATION BY INDIVIDUALS FROM SENATE AND HOUSE
STAFFS, THE PRESS CORPS,PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS UFD STUDY GROUPS AND
PERSONNEL OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGENCIES.
AFTER FIVE YEARS OVERSEAS, MOST RECENTLY AS DCM IN NOUAKCHOTT,
I WILL BE RETURNING IN MAY 1978 TO AN ASSIGNMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT
AS DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF INR. I HAVE FOLLOWED WITH
INTEREST THE ACTIVITIES OF THE OPEN FORUM DURING THE PASR FIVE
YEARS. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING ACTIVELY AGAIN WITH THE OPEN
FORUM AND WOULD BE PLEASED TO SERVE AS ITS VICE CHARIPERSONTX I
BELIEVE MY PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH THE OPEN FORUM AND MY DIVERSE
FOREIGN SERVICE BACKGROUND WILL SERVE ME WELL INORGANIZING
AND COORDINATING ITS VARIED AND EDTANDING ACTIVITIES. KRYZA

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